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The General Secretary

Happy Birthday!

Dr. Gene Stone

The celebration of Christian Endeavor's 73rd Anniversary of its founding promises to be a banner one.

If the sale of C.E. Week packets, supplies, outdoor poster panels and inquiries received is any indication this will be the greatest birthday observance for many years.

It is our hope and prayer that there will be a new surge of activity and enthusiasm with the programs for the Week and that many decisions will be made.

Howards Visit India

Rev. and Mrs. Penn Howard, who are on a Christian Endeavor World Friendship Tour, have been attending meetings and speaking in many cities and villages in India during January. Their travel has been by ox-cart, bicycle, rickshaw, bus, electric train and third class rail.

At a village called Gindy, Mr. and Mrs. Howard talked to youth in two societies that had over 100 members. Besides a weekly meeting there are activities under four committees — sewing, Bible reading, prayer, and health. Mrs. Howard tells that members of the health group go to various homes and by means of scrubbing help others to be cleaner.

The Howards have been making the home of Rev. James Mather, Kandy, Ceylon, the base for their operations. Mrs. Howard attended the Christian Endeavor Convention in India in October.

Cause For Rejoicing

A Christian Endeavor group sent a shower of Christmas cards to a Canadian youth in a federal prison. He was given a subscription to a daily newspaper and *Builders* magazine.

A letter received by Rev. J. Wesley Siebert, president of the Canadian C. E. Union, had this to say:

"You will be pleased, I am sure, to know I have read the copies of *Builders* from cover to cover. I was surprised they contained so much that is interesting and satisfying reading. I particularly liked and accepted the truth contained in the topic 'What Does The Surrendered Life Mean?' (*Christian Endeavor Topic for January 24.*) It has given me a clear pattern for living which I want to begin immediately. Pray that with God's help, I may be given the opportunity to practice and succeed in this desire, not only in the near future, but in all the years to come . . . I sincerely believe I have had enough time in the past six months to review my life and decide which of the two paths that lie ahead I wish to take. One will surely lead back here, the other promises by living rightly I am also serving Him rightly. And it is certainly the latter path I wish to follow."

Proposal For Constitution

Efforts are being made to have an amendment to the Constitution of the United States recognizing the authority and law of Jesus Christ. This is now in the hands of the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate.

The new article for the Constitution would begin, "This Nation devoutly recognizes the authority and law of Jesus Christ, Saviour and Ruler of nations through whom are bestowed the blessings of Almighty God."

Congratulations

Rev. Earle W. Gates, member of Executive Committee of International Society, observed the twentieth anniversary of his ordination and the fifteenth year of his pastorate of the First Church of Evans, Derby, N. Y., December 11.

Adean Ziegler, president of Virginia Union, has announced her engagement to Arthur Young, of the United States Air Force.

Norman Klauder, chairman of Finance Committee of International Society, has been elected treasurer of the Fidelity America Financial Corporation, Philadelphia, Pa.

Join the host of youth and friends of youth who are supporting the Membership Mobilization of International Society of Christian Endeavor. Enroll today.

AWARDS FOR YOUTH

Many awards will be given to Endeavorers in a new contest of "The Christian Endeavor World" which begins during Christian Endeavor Week.

The grand prize will be $200.00 toward expenses of attending the 12th World's C. E. Convention in Washington, D. C., July 24-28.

For further details write to "The Christian Endeavor World," 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 5, Ohio.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR World

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A group of Endeavorers are pictured at the dedication of an outdoor poster panel in Columbus, Ohio. Photo by Charles D. Stokes.

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Washington Youth Prepare For World's Convention

"One World Through Christ" Is Theme For Meetings To Be Held in Nation's Capital July 24-28 - Plan Fellowship Tour

NE WORLD THROUGH CHRIST is the theme for the Twelfth Con-ntion of the World's Christian En-avor Union to be held in Washing-n, D. C., July 24-28.

Endeavorers in the Nation's Capital e making elaborate preparations for e entertaining of hundreds of youth om many places throughout the world.

Merritt L. Smith is chairman of the mmittee that is making arrangements. ther officers of the committee are rs. Vivian Foster, vice-chairman; Olin- Dormaier, registrar, and Margaret ites, secretary.

ndeavorers From Many Lands

Many of the Christian Endeavor ions in other lands are selecting del-ates to come to the meetings. The ristian Endeavorers in the European ea under the leadership of Rev. An-ew Wright, general secretary of the orld's Union in charge of Area No. are planning a special tour group.

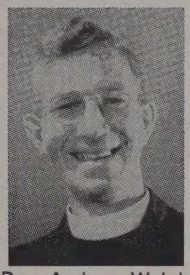
The program for the convention will nsists of mass meetings in the eve-ngs with conferences and business ses-ons in the mornings and sight-seeing urs in the afternoons.

Dr. Ernest R. Bryan, general secretary the World's Union in charge of Area is heading up the programming for coming event.

The Mayflower Hotel will be head-arters with some of the conferences ng held there. Many of the delegates m other countries will be housed in dormitory of the American Univer-.

The registration fee is $5.00. Infor-tion concerning hotels and accommo-ions in the homes of Endeavorers in shington may be secured by writing Merritt L. Smith, chairman, c/o erican Automobile Association, 1712 Street, N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of World's Union, will preside at the iness sessions and will speak at one the evening meetings.



Dr. Ernest R. Bryan Rev. Andrew Wright

World Secretaries . .

Mr. Wright and Dr. Bryan are the general secretaries of the World's C. E. Union. Dr. Bryan is in charge of Area I and Mr. Wright Area II. Dr. Bryan is president of International Society and Mr. Wright is general secretary of the Union of Great Britain and Ireland.

Contest Winners Go To Capital

The winner of the Third Annual Citizenship Award Contest of the International Society will, in addition to receiving a $250.00 prize, be sent to the World's Convention.

Convention Hotel . .

Washington's famous Mayflower Hotel, Connecticut Avenue and DeSales Street, N.W., will be the headquarters for the World's Convention. Many sessions will be conducted there.

The youth who wins *The Christian Endeavor World* subscription contest will receive $200.00 toward expenses to the convention or cash in the amount of $150.00. A number of other awards will also be given in this campaign.

THE LOOKOUT magazine, which has conducted a contest to determine the outstanding sponsor of Christian Endeavor societies in Christian churches, will send the winner to the convention.

The Youth Assembly of the International Society is planning to have its annual meeting on a portion of the last day of the convention, July 28, and the following day, July 29. Vern Hoffman is chairman of this group.

The annual meetings of the Corporation and the Board of Trustees of International Society are planned for July 23 and 24 in Washington, D. C.

Fellowship Tour

An International Fellowship Tour will be conducted following the Washington meetings. This will be for ten days and eleven nights. It will leave Washington, D. C., July 29, and will disband in New York City August 8. Stops will be made at Baltimore; Atlantic City; New York City; Boston; Cape Cod; Portland, Maine; the White Mountains; Mohawk Trail; Albany, New York; and Hyde Park, New York.

At Portland, Maine, the Endeavorers will visit the Williston Congregational Church where Christian Endeavor was founded in 1881. The tour party will use first class deluxe chartered motor coach transportation for the entire trip. The approximate cost will be $250 which will include all sight-seeing, first class hotel accommodations, and all meals with the exception of those in Boston and New York City. The tour will be personally conducted. Additional information may be secured by writing to Harold E. Westerhoff, Manager, Travel Department, International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 5, Ohio.

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Should Voting Age Be Lowered To 18 Years?

Should those of 18 years of age have the privilege of the ballot?

This is a pertinent question since President Eisenhower in his State of the Union message has proposed lowering the voting age in the United States to 18. One of our states, Georgia, now permits those 18 years of age to cast a ballot. Four countries give the franchise to youth at the age of 18. They are the Soviet Union, Mexico (if married), Argentina, and Turkey.

Some of the trustees of the Youth Assembly of the International Society of Christian Endeavor have answered this question and given the reasons.

Here is the score and coments:

Ann Stuart Fulton, 19, Richmond, Va.
Yes

I am not in favor of giving the privilege of voting to those 18 years of age just because they are eligible for the draft. However, I am in favor of 18-year-olds voting. My chief reason for this is that in a great many high schools seniors are required to take a course in civics or American history. These courses arouse in them an interest and concern for their government, and if they could vote at 18, I believe a large number of them would. On the other hand in having to wait for three years their interest dies out and many of them never bother to register and vote.

Mrs. Carolyn Miller, 19, Ridge Farm, Ill.
Yes

Eighteen year old youth have a wide scope of education. Through books, magazines, television, radio, schools, and movies there is opportunity to gain more education than men 35 years ago had when they were 35. Of course there are immature 18-year-olds but there will always be people of all ages who are incapable of making decisions. With the passing of years it is often necessary to change man-made laws. I sincerely believe that 18-year-olds can wisely vote.

Robert F. Hildreth, 17, Columbus, Ohio
Yes

Eighteen-year-olds should be allowed to vote because they are mature enough. They are well equipped to put the things that they have been studying in their senior year in high school into action. They could vote more intelligently than many older adults. Since they are old enough to serve their country they are old enough to vote.

Have you ever written your congressman? Why not do this in Christian Endeavor's Citizenship Contest? See Page 5 for details.

J. B. Shelton, 19, Wichita, Kansas
Yes

I sincerely believe if an 18-year-old is old enough to become well informed in school on problems which face the government and how it operates, is old enough to get a job and pay taxes to the government, is old enough to join the armed forces of his country, is old enough to fight and die for what he believes, is allowed to marry and raise a family of his own, he should be allowed to vote for the American heritage that is his.

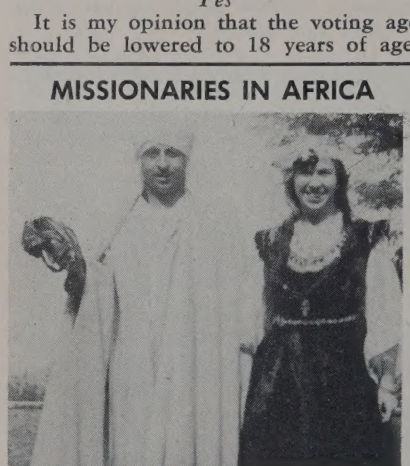
Helen Scott, 17, Washington, D. C.
Yes

I am in favor of 18-year-olds voting, particularly the boys. At 18, boys are near draft age and I believe that if a boy is old enough to fight for his country he is old enough to vote.

Vern Hoffman, 19, Holland, Michigan
Yes

It is my opinion that the voting age should be lowered to 18 years of age.

MISSIONARIES IN AFRICA



Rev. and Mrs. R. Ward Williams
The former Christian Endeavor field secretary of Illinois and Missouri is shown with his wife Terry in the native costume of Constantine, Algerie, where the Williamses recently began their missionary work. Supervising a boys' home is one of the activities in their mission enterprise.

I believe that most young people take active an interest in current affairs as older people. These young people, many instances, would prove themselv more capable, I feel, than elderly pe ple who continue to have a voting s tus although the keenness of their min has departed.

Betty Ann Hughes, 21, New Orleans,
Yes

Today most of our youth 18 yea old have either begun college or co pleted a year in their chosen field work. Many more are completing hi school than at the time the laws we passed making 21 the voting age. I al like to think that our youth are mo interested in government than we those in the past, making them mo fit to have a "say" in government. Ne ly every college campus has an orga ization of Young Democrats or You Republicans, which has as its main pu pose to keep its members informed.

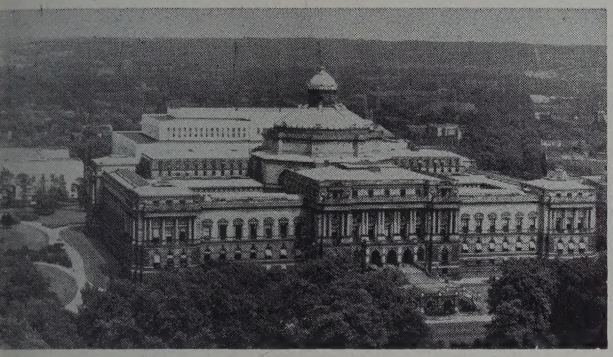
Alick Kennedy, 22, Hoboken, N. J.
Yes

I am in favor of giving 18-year-ol the power of vote because it seems me that it is a question of whether not they are interested in what is goi on and if they are mature enough use their heads sensibly. The studer I come in contact with in college a the young fellows and girls in the f tory where I work are all interested every move that President Eisenhow makes and they are critical of his d cisions. The youth of today are as w informed about current events as mo of the elders and they want to he make the world a better place.

Queen Tupou Of Tonga A Christian Endeavorer

Her Majesty Queen Salote Tupou Tonga (of the South Pacific) atten Christian Endeavor and takes a keen i terest in the movement.

Christian Endeavor is found in the churches and colleges in Tonga. the Piloleva College in Ha'apai t Christian Endeavor was responsible f 75 girls accepting Christ. The meetin are conducted in a different mann than other Christian Endeavor uni There are seven speakers — one f every day of the week. Each speak says something about the Bible readi for that particular day. Meetings a divided into age groups. Usually on those over fourteen years attend.



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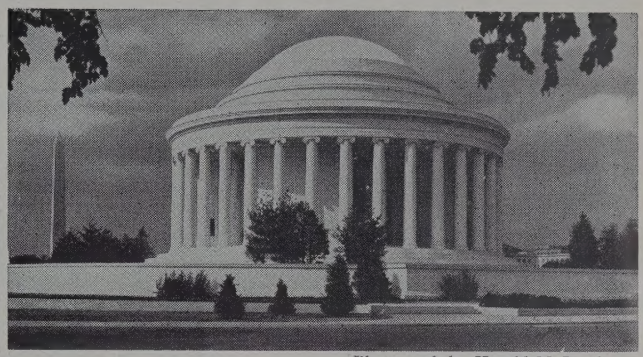

Photograph by Harold M. Lambert

Jefferson Memorial and Washington Monument

Scenes that winner of Citizenship Contest will see in Nation's Capital.

Dr. Poling Lauds Citizenship Efforts

February 8 Is Closing Date For Entries in Contest - Awards Totaling $1,000.00 and Trip to Washington To Be Given

"Steadily and with an increasing em-asis, this youth movement has enter- the field of citizenship education," . Daniel A. Poling declared in a ndicated newspaper article in which discussed the Citizenship Crusade of e International Society of Christian deavor.

"Here is an organization that was ver identified, even formally or in-rectly, with any of the subversive uth groups," Dr. Poling stated in his lumn, "Americans All," which ap-ared in many newspapers through-t the United States December 7.

"It sent 'observers' to several of those nferences of the late twenties and ear- thirties, some of them entertained in e White House, that later proved to 'Apparatus' of the Communist Par-" Dr. Poling continued. "But these servers made reports that caused the ristian Endeavor movement to stay ar out and far away. At the time ere was a good deal of criticism di-cted toward International Society dership by some of the more ad-nced and 'liberal' church authorities, t that is all happily past."

The President of the World's Chris-n Endeavor Union devoted the re-ainder of his article in telling about e Third Annual Christian Endeavor tizenship Contest.

Dr. Poling is chairman of the All-nerican Conference to Combat Com-nism. The International Society is a member of this unit. Dr. Gene Stone, general secretary, is on the executive council of the conference which is composed of more than 50 national organizations.

NOTIFICATION OF PARTICIPATION

(Request for official entry blanks)
Christian Endeavor Christian Citizenship Award Contest
(Valid only if postmarked no later than February 8, 1954)
Christian Citizenship Director
International Society of Christian Endeavor
1221 East Broad Street
Columbus 5, Ohio

I hereby enter the CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP AWARD CONTEST ..... ☐

Please send me the official entry blanks and other information .... ☐

I have requested official entry blanks from my state or provincial Christian Endeavor Union office ..... ☐

(Please check above statements)

Name .....
(Please Print)

Street and Number .....

City and State .....

Local Church .....
(Denomination)

Date of Birth .....

☐ I agree to observe the rules and conditions outlined above.

Signature of Applicant

Contest Information

Youth entering the Citizenship contest must send their notification of participation to the Citizenship Director of the International Society at Columbus, Ohio, postmarked not later than February 8. All youth 15 through 19 years of age, living on the North American continent, may participate.

Winners will be determined by the merits of "A Letter to My Congressman" or, for Canadian youth, "A Letter to My M.P." on the subject, "I Speak for Christian Citizenship," and a service record of the contestant. The letter must not exceed 1,000 words.

Awards total $1,000.00 and a trip to the World's Christian Endeavor Convention at Washington, D. C., July 24-28. The first award is $250.00 in cash and all expenses to Washington. The second award is $150.00; the third, $75.00; and the next runners-up will be given cash awards of $50.00 each. The runners-up in each of the nine regions will be given $25.00 each.

Recognition will be given the winners at the World's Christian Endeavor Convention.

The letter and service record must be in the hands of the judges in the states and provinces by March 1.

Additional information may be secured by writing to the Citizenship Director, International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 5, Ohio.

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Delegates are shown at the 29th Interstate and 8th New England Convention of Armenian Christian Endeavor Societies held in New York City.
Rev. G. Diran Minassian was chairman of the committee with Rose Levonian and Marie Alberian as vice chairme Speakers included Vartan Hartunian, Rev. Puzant Kalfayan, Dr. Dicran Kassouny, Rev. John J. Markari and Dr. W. H. Vernon Smith.

DR. POLING LAUDS CITIZENSHIP EFFORTS

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1953 Winner Testifies

Dortha Tillman, former president of the Denver District Christian Endeavor Union, was the top winner in the contest in 1953. She is now a freshman at Whitworth College, Spokane, Washington, where she is majoring in journalism.

"When I began to think about winning the contest, after the first dizzying thrill had died down, my first thought was remembering the idea I had when I sat down with paper and pencil, 'This isn't going to be something I'm doing, but God working in me — the complete credit will go to Him!" Dorotha revealed in telling recently of the thrill of winning the contest.

"Then and only then did I begin to realize that citizenship is very closely connected to Christ," the 1953 victor continued. "It's only when our lives change because of His wonderful grace that home and communities and nations can change. I've come closer to this truth than ever before at Whitworth College, where Christ is the center of college life — not something added as an after-thought. It's at school, too, that other consecrated Christian youth have shown me that I have to forget myself and what I want before Christ can really come in and direct my life."

Copies of the booklet "Guide for Christian Living" to be given to men and women in military service are available without charge by writing to International Society of Christian Endeavor, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 5, Ohio.

CONCERNING TEMPERANCE

It is reported that Fred Waring turned down an offer of $30,000 a week for a Las Vegas, Nevada, night club appearance. He refuses to work in places where liquor is sold or where there is gambling.

Dr. Haven Emerson of Columbia University, says: "Ask any physician in civil or military practice, and he will give plenty of instances of beer drunkenness. The records of Bellevue Hospital, New York City; Cook County Hospital, Chicago, and Boston City Hospital, abundantly prove that drunkenness may, and often does, follow beer drinking, without other alcoholic beverages."

GRAND RAPIDS CAROL SING

Many thousands attended the 15 annual Christian Endeavor Carol Si in the Civic Auditorium, Grand Rapi Michigan, December 20. Clare Van M sen was the chairman of the planni committee. Music was given by t Knickerbocker Band and the Otta Hills High School Chorus. The so leader was Kenneth Leetsma.

Why not have your society take annual membership in the Internatio Society of Christian Endeavor?

Philadelphia Intermediates Mark Anniversary

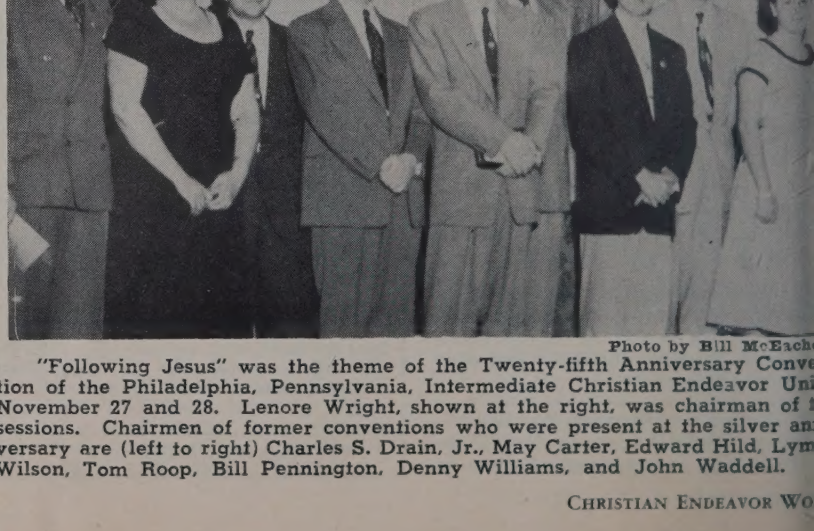

Photo by Bill McEach

"Following Jesus" was the theme of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary Conve tion of the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Intermediate Christian Endeavor Uni November 27 and 28. Lenore Wright, shown at the right, was chairman of sessions. Chairmen of former conventions who were present at the silver an versary are (left to right) Charles S. Drain, Jr., May Carter, Edward Hild, Lym Wilson, Tom Roop, Bill Pennington, Denny Williams, and John Waddell.

The Press Tells The Story

Pictured here are some of the clippings of words and pictures from secular and religious newspapers and magazines about the dedication of the new Christian Endeavor Headquarters in Columbus, Ohio, December 6.

Do It DEFINITELY

WHEN a surgeon calls for a scalpel, it is slapped into his waiting palm. Yes, slapped! The nurse knows the doctor receives it, and so will he.

"Pass an instrument or a suture as if you definitely want to get rid of it," the nurse in training is told. "In fact, you do! It's of no use to surgeon or patient until the doctor has it and knows he has it—ready to use. Your job is to deliver it with vigor."

Only recently I learned that skilled woodsmen, living and working in tall timber, have a similar code. Their work methods have been so well studied by outdoors specialists on the national staff of the Boy Scouts of America that Scouts now learn much of the tested lore of woodsmen.

Says Bob Sproul, one of these staff men, as he trains Scout leaders, "Hand your axe to me." He will insist that the tool be passed to him in woodsman fashion; head downward, sharp edge turned away from the body of either man, handle pushed with vigor against the receiver's palm. That axe will not be dropped nor will it cut or even threaten either man concerned in the exchange. In passing axes, the rule is "Do it definitely."

This idea has value all along the line in human contacts and activities.

Be Clear

Have you noticed how many persons seem to mumble their words? And perhaps you've encountered some who speak too quickly or skim through an important message — particularly vexing and hazardous in long-distance telephone conversations.

One of my lawyer friends once received a letter from an out-of-town client beginning with the words, "I hardly agree with your proposal." But so much satisfaction with the attorney's suggestions was expressed later in the letter that the lawyer telephoned at once to be certain what his client meant.

The trouble was in dictation—the speaker's diction or the stenographer's concentration. The client intended to write, "I *heartily* agree . . ." Because of faulty communication, his idea hadn't been conveyed definitely.

I read the other day a news bulletin as it came line by line over the wires to a radio station's news-writer — such a machine as you both see and hear on some television newscasts. A public officer was being quoted, and one line from his statement read: "I would not (not) favor any more amendments to this bill." Why the second "not"? It wasn't in the man's original statement. But the news service, concerned with accuracy, wanted to make sure that this one short and vital word was not passed over in rapid reading.

Be Careful

In science and engineering and business, one numeral may have great importance. Those who design type faces for the printing industry and for business machines take immense pains to provide a 3 that cannot be taken for an 8. They make sure that 3, 5 and 6 do not look too much alike when printed or typed. Are those of us who set down figures in ink or with a pencil equally careful? When figures are being communicated, we need to be sure they are unmistakable, clear, definite!

In business life, promotion is likely to be awaiting those who consider that details are important and do their work accordingly. Those likely to be considered for more responsible positions include:

The salesman who can remember and report on any significant comments made by customers.

The clerk or typist who looks back over his or her work to catch possible errors.

The trainer of new workers who makes sure they know WHY as well as HOW certain work procedures are followed.

The stenographer who realizes the letter she writes must clearly convey the writer's ideas or point of view—and will ask questions if she believes the finished letter doesn't accomplish this.

Be Consistent

Young parents have a responsibility to their children, to emphasize the value to an individual and his future co-workers of habits founded on "doing it definitely."

A neighbor recalls the home in which he grew up with three brothers and two sisters.

"Dad and Mother wanted things definite: home-work cared for on schedule, chores completed correctly, proper hours kept," he remarks. "They were consistent — not too strict one day, too easy-going another. There was a sort of code which arranged that you made up later for duties of wh you might be relieved for some special t or time off. Among the children the co was self-enforcing and it was among reasons we got along so well together.

"Each of us had definite privileges, cording to his age, and definite responsib ties, according to his experience and ma rity — and if I had my life to live over, want the home training I had."

Teachers achieve most among young p ple when, as the foundation for every cou they emphasize the *principles* for do work well. Students benefit when they required to give definite answers to qu tions. The course adds to one's readin for life if the instructor encourages the fi ing and applying of facts to problems w genuine conviction.

Truly there is no such grade as "j passing." One knows the subject or he la sure knowledge of it. He is master of course—or else he gained very little from

In church work, in all its branch achieving *definite results* is particularly i portant. The choir that skimps on pract and excuses poor performance "because singers are volunteers" can mar an oth wise meaningful service. Committee me bers who shirk assignments or dischar them half-heartedly not only underm good work but discourage leaders and workers.

Be Committed

And the Christian young adult who not *definitely* an active, dependable, lo partner in the great work of showi Christ's way to men fails in a most imp tant mission in life. Committed Christi can change the world—and what ill we the great and holy cause of Jesus Ch whenever we cannot be counted on as witnesses for Him!

The strongest force opposing Christi ity, several religious writers agree, is atheism but indifference. And in the N Testament (Rev. 3:15), we may read, know thy works, that thou art neither c nor hot; I would thou were cold or h It is the intensity of great faith, its real its definite bearing on all things making life, which preserved Christian faith agai great oppression and has carried it do the generations and around the globe.

Young Adults might like to think ab (and even commit to memory) some co sel from the Old Testament: "Whatsoe thy hand findeth to do, do it with might" (Ecc. 9:10).

Leaders who have questions regard Young Adult work in their church are vited to write to the Young Adult Wo shop, THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WOR 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 5, Oh

Young Adults who are experiencing s cess with programs are asked to share th ideas by sending them to this Workshop.

"GETTING RESULTS" will be the general theme of occasional messages on this page. Your counselor has in mind not only the qualities and characteristics to be sought for success in leadership but the encouragement of efficient co-workers — without whom the best of leaders will fail. The values contributing to RESULTS in church work also have importance to vocational attainment and Young Adults' activities in community projects.

A systematic approach to church work is only a part of our preparation. You will want to pray for strength and wisdom and the making of the right choices. You will count on your co-workers to enter into Christian projects in the spirit of prayer and unselfish service to the Master. Then to divine power you will try to add the best skills and training you can supply — for Christ's work calls for the finest workers!

Young Adult Workshop

By Bert H. Davis

So Send I You – C. E. Week Theme

World-Wide Activities To Mark 73rd Anniversary of Founding of Christian Endeavor - Annual Enrollment Underway

Youth of all colors of skin, in almost very part of the world will observe hristian Endeavor Week, January 31—ebruary 7.

"So Send I You," is the theme for the me of celebrating the 73rd birthday the Christian Endeavor Movement.

Activities of a variety of types are lanned. These include rallies, church rvices, banquets, conferences, radio nd TV program, leadership institutes nd mission projects.

Nearly all the media of informing eople are being used to make known ie story of Christian Endeavor and to elp win youth to Christ and to train em.

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Millions are being reached in the ighway evangelism by the displaying 1,000 beautiful four-colored outdoor oster panels in more than 80 centers the United States and Canada. This being done in cooperation with lo-cal outdoor poster companies who are members of the Outdoor Advertising Association of America, Inc.

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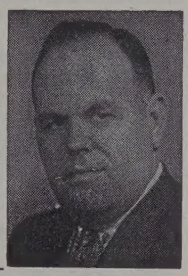

Harold E. Westerhoff, administrative secretary of the International Society, is heading the annual enrollment.

Christian Endeavor Week will be the final time to interest youth 15 through 19 years to enter the Citizenship Contest. All notifications of participation must be sent to Columbus, Ohio, postmarked not later than February 8.

Time To Mobilize

Efforts of the annual Membership Mobilization of the International Society will be intensified during Christian Endeavor Week.

January and February are the months for enrollment. Endeavorers and friends are asked to make contributions of $10.00 for annual membership; $25.00 for sustaining, and $200.00 to become a life member. Several generous friends of the Movement have promised to "double" all the annual memberships sent to Columbus by February 28.

Contest Announced

A contest to secure subscriptions for *The Christian Endeavor World* will be inaugurated during Christian Endeavor Week. The top award will be money toward a trip to the World's C. E. Convention in Washington, D. C.

All Endeavorers or friends, except employees of Christian Endeavor, are eligible to enter the contest which continues until June 15. Credit will be given for new subscriptions.

The grand award will go to the individual in the United States or Canada who secures the greatest number of subscriptions in excess of a minimum of 125. He or she will be given $200.00 toward expenses of attending the 12th World's Christian Endeavor Convention in Washington, D. C., July 24-28, or $150.00 in cash.

There will be many other awards including pins, pencils, jackets, and rings.

Detailed information may be secured by writing to *The Christian Endeavor World,* 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 5, Ohio.

Life-Work Recruits

With the emphasis during Christian Endeavor Week on the challenge for youth to go into full-time Christian service many societies will be asking youth to become Life-Work Recruits.

Covenant cards for those who make decisions may be secured from the Headquarters in Columbus.

Unions and societies are invited to send reports of their Christian Endeavor Week activities with newspaper clippings and pictures to the International Society, 1221 East Broad Street, Columbus 5, Ohio.

Outdoor Poster Chairmen

Those in charge of Christian Endeavor's Outdoor Poster Program in ie various unions include the follow-ig:

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Directors of Mobilization in the various unions include the following:

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Senior-Young People

— MARCH 7 —

Comments by Earle W. Gates

Manners Attend Church, Too

Second Topic in a Series on "My Worship Attitudes"

Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

Pattern For The Meeting

The leader of this meeting should make careful preparation for its success by these steps:
Pray for God's blessing and help.
Study the Bible selections given.
Read the following material, then add his own thoughts, experiences, and other illustrations.
Plan a brief Leader's Talk to make clear the purposes of the meeting.

The topic today is the concluding one of a series begun last week, printed in last month's issue. "My Worship Attitudes" is the title of the unit. Today's topic emphasizes attitudes and practices in the worship service. The many churches and denominations represented in our international fellowship in Christian Endeavor will present a varied pattern of practice. Some are liturgical, some are not. Some are formal, some are informal in their mode of service. Some sanctuaries are large and impressive; others are small and very humble. All are Houses of God, however. In all of them the same good manners should be practiced and the same gracious thoughtfulness for others shown.

Either before or after this meeting have the group make a survey of the adult members of the church, and among their parents and friends. Ask such questions as these: "What bad habits most annoy you in Church?" "What group of people are most responsible for these things?" "What do you consider necessary for proper worship?" "What helpful acts do you most appreciate in Church?" Then discuss these things together and do something constructive about your findings.

Remember too that this is the Sunday of the monthly *Consecration Meeting.* In response to the roll call suggest that each member make some step of dedication or promise to specifically improve some phase of his public worship. Perhaps by this means our church manners can be improved.

Aim Of The Topic

1. To learn the right attitudes and habits for public worship.

2. To plan to take some steps to improve our "Church Manners."

From The Book of Books

M., Mar. 1. The Unselfishness of Love. I Cor. 13:4-7.
T., Mar. 2. How to Worship. John 4:20-24.
W., Mar. 3. Misbehavior in God's House Punished. Matt. 21:12-14.
T., Mar. 4. Reverent in God's Presence. Ex. 3:1-6.
F., Mar. 5. God to Be Held in Reverence. Psalm 89:1-8.
S., Mar. 6. Silent Before God. Hab. 2:18-20.
Sun., Mar. 7. Topic—Manners Attend Church, Too. Eccl. 5:1-7.

Attitudes Are A Part of Manners

Young people, and even adults, do not seem to realize why the worship service has its various parts. If these portions were understood, perhaps a more worthwhile worship experience would result. One should take advantage of the silent prayer times. These are usually possible upon entering the church, just before leaving and before the pastoral prayer. Make the most of these opportunities, as time is taken too seldom for such meditation and prayer. In these moments, remember the pastor, and pray for God's guidance during his morning message; for his health, strength, and patience in dealing with his people. Remember yourself and those present that the minds and hearts of each might be open to God's message and messenger.

The hymns are planned to bring out the message or to prepare each one for the message to come. They should be thoroughly understood. The quality of one's voice is unimportant in congregational singing. It is the enthusiasm that counts. The special music carries its own message and should be listened to carefully. The scripture lesson and responsive reading represent God speaking to each one with His own message. The offering is an act of worship as each one presents his tithe to the work of the Lord. It is not an intermission for talking time or merely a "collection" of small change to aid the worshipper in cleaning his pocket or purse.

The morning message, the most important part of the worship, deserves alert minds in full attention. The pastor has spent much time in prayer and preparation. His message is given to him by God, as he has sought His guidance. The pastor is a direct messenger of our Heavenly Father. Young people who have signed the Christian Endeavor pledge must remember that they have promised to "attend the worship services of the church."

Good Manners At Worship

Following are suggestions for good worship manners.

1. *Be on time.* Late arrivals usually have to sit to the front of the church, as early arrivals fill the back seats first. Their walk down the aisle distracts. If necessary to be late, come in at the proper time between different parts of the service, not during a reading, prayer, or message.

2. *Be reverent.* One should be quiet in God's house. Whispering and giggling are not aids to worship.

3. *Listen.* Do not use this quiet time to solve problems and make plans but listen to the message God has for you.

4. *Do not leave before church is over.* This is poor manners and rank rudeness as it distracts others; it is an insult to God's messenger.

5. *Help keep disturbance down.* If necessary to leave for an emergency, return to the back of the church.

6. *Never wear extreme clothes at church.* Sport shirts, unusual hats, strong perfumes, severe hair-dos, immodest clothing, etc., detract from the worship service.

A SEED THOUGHT

"Enter your church with prayer; leave it the same way. While there strive to feel the presence of God and help others to do likewise."

7. *Greet the minister at the close.* Let him know how much the message has impressed you. Tell him of sick neighbors.

8. *Go—to worship.* Those who attend only to see who else is there, what clothes are being worn, to have opportunity to visit, have missed the point. One should go to church to worship and to draw near to his Lord.

9. *Share your pew and your hymnal.* Be willing to move over for others to share your pew. Help others to find hymn numbers or to see your book.

Annoying Manners At Church

There are a number of different things that interfere with worship. Perhaps you are guilty of causing some of these. They are whispering, eating candy, chewing gum, writing, rattling paper, scattering bits of paper, writing or marking on woodwork or books, giggling, moving about nervously, arriving late consistently, crowding in the pew, tapping fingers or feet, snapping finger nails, talking during singing or prayer, letting baby talk out loud or cry, and a host of others. Discuss these later.

(*Please turn to Page 18, Col. 1*)

FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Have you made the most of public worship? By attending regularly? By entering whole-heartedly and sincerely into each portion?

2. What promise have you made in the Christian Endeavor pledge regarding worship?

3. Which of the four principles of Christian Endeavor refers to worship?

4. What should be remembered in prayer during meditation periods?

5. Name some good worship manners, including and in addition to those listed.

6. List some "Bad Church Manners."

7. What are some projects your society could take on to aid other worship?

8. Which one will you take on?

9. Do you have good manners in respect to your pastor and parsonage? Where can you improve?

10. As a result of the meeting where will you improve your manners?

The Christ We Follow

First Topic in a Series on "Christ Calls: We Follow"

Luke 4:40-44

Intermediate

— MARCH 7 —

Comments by Raymond M. Veh

ır Aim

1. To know "Fairest Lord Jesus."
2. To see ourselves in the light of rist and His teachings.
3. To catch Christ's challenge to fol- w Him.

orship Setting

Place a picture of the head of Christ on ır worship center. Let a spotlight illu- ne the picture. Slides on "The Life of us" might well be used.

ymns

Shepherd of Tender Youth; O Master, Me Walk With Thee; O Brother Man; Jesus, I Love Thee.

rist Bids Youth Follow

The theme for the next three topics pre- nts a real challange to youth. When rist called youth to follow Him in the ys when He walked the paths of Pales- e He called them to follow paths that re new and exciting. These paths that ey attempted to follow led them to all e corners of the then-known earth; they llowed to the arenas of Rome and to e prisons of Greece, but everywhere they lowed Christ.

One mistake that we make today is in uming that the following of Christ is easy, dull, part-time accomplishment. is assumption is wrong. There is as ich, if not more, excitement and newness the following of Christ today as there s two thousand years ago. This brief ies of programs is designed to help us nk, and search together for a clearer finition of the path that Christ is indi- ing to youth.

istory's Central Figure

Jesus Christ is the central figure of his- y. The world cannot forget Him while remembers history, for history is *His ry*. To leave Christ out of history is to ve out the key that unlocks the record man's doings upon the earth.

The history of mankind has been the tory of the preparation for His coming. e Old Testament tells of His coming type, symbol and prophecy. The history the Jewish people is preparation for the ming of Christ. The New Testament d the history of the church since then is evelation of the influence and effect of rist upon the human race.

Can we see how important it is for us ask and find the answer to the question, Who Is Jesus Christ?"

Bible Meditations

Mar. 1. Our Christ Is the Bread of Life. John 6:33-35.
Mar. 2. Our Christ Is the Good Shepherd. John 10:1-15.
Mar. 3. Our Christ Saves the Lost. Luke 19:1-10.
Mar. 4. Our Christ Saves from Sin. Matt. 1:18-21.
Mar. 5. Our Christ Gave His Life. Matt. 20:25-28.
Mar. 6. Our Christ Gives Eternal Life. John 3:35, 36.
Sun., Mar. 7. Topic—The Christ We Follow. Luke 4:40-44.

Jesus Christ is Man

Jesus is history's Man of destiny. But first He was a boy like Junior Highs of today. As a child He played on the floor of His father's carpenter shop in Nazareth, making mountains of shavings and scooping out paths first to the left leg of the bench and then to the right. This is the Boy who ran yelling down the hill back of the little town, in hot pursuit of three other small youngsters in a wild game of tag.

This is the Boy who might have climbed that same hill in the dusk of evening to sit quietly on a flat stone which still held the heat of the sun; the Boy who sat there to look far out over the little town and up to the intensely bright heavens above; the Boy in whose soul was awakening in all its glory, beauty, and love the realization of coming destiny. This is the Boy in whose keen mind was a growing awareness that in Him was God as God was in no other.

Perhaps through many a long, bright morning He just sat there and talked to God as no boy had ever talked to Him. And perhaps through the carefree days of boyhood, the first awakening, wondering days of adolescence, and the formulating days of early manhood, Jesus Christ came to know, through His unfathomable communion with His Father, that He was the Son of God, the promised Messiah, the Redeemer of the world.

Jesus Christ is God

While Jesus Christ was really man, He was also truly God. This does not mean that He was a mixture of God and man. He was distinctly the God-man. He was perfect man. He was and is God of very God. Though Christ subordinated Himself to God the Father, yet it was only subordination of order, office and operation, not of essence or His very being.

Jesus Christ is seen to be God by the divine names given to Him. He is called "God" (Hebrews 1:8; John 20:28; Romans 9:5). He is called "the Son of God" (Matthew 16:16, 17; 27:40, 43). This name is used of Christ forty times in the Scriptures.

Jesus Is Our Saviour

What a wonderful Saviour is the Lord Jesus Christ! He is mighty to save and to keep. The angel of the Lord, in announcing the birth of the Saviour, said, "Thou shalt call His Name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins" (Matt. 1:21). The writer of the Book of Hebrews said of the Lord Jesus, "Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them" (Heb. 7:25). Paul, who knew of the mightiness of Jesus to save, said, "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief" (I Tim. 1:15).

It is lovely to talk about "Jesus our Saviour," or about "Jesus, the Saviour of the World." The important thing, however, is to speak from heart knowledge about, "Jesus, *my* Saviour!" Have you been "born again"? Can you say with the Apostle Paul, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day"? (II Tim. 1:12).

Jesus Is Our Life-Giver

Jesus offers us eternal life. The unsaved do not have this spiritual, eternal life. He said, "This is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God and Jesus Christ whom Thou hast sent." (John 17:3.) In the life now present the unsaved merely exist. Read Isaiah 57:20, 21. The Spirit-filled know the joy and blessings of the promise of Jesus: "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it *more abundantly*. (John 10:10).

Jesus Is Our Helper in Weakness

In times of deepest need and most real weakness, we have in Christ Jesus an unfailing, ever-present Friend and Helper. The Bible teaches us that Christ's power is made perfect in our weakness, not in our strength. Read II Corinthians 12:9 and that lovely passage which all youth know, Isaiah 40:29-31.

In Our School Contacts

How great are the possibilities of Christian young people in school to reveal to schoolmates the Best Friend, Jesus Christ. We can influence our schoolmates for Him and for God if we will but remember the words of Jesus: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

(*Please turn to Page 19, Col. 3*)

FOR DISCUSSION TIME

1. Was Jesus a "sissy"? Explain.
2. What do you like about Jesus?
3. How long did Jesus live?
4. What were some things Jesus suggested in His Sermon on the Mount?
5. How can Jesus be my Saviour?
6. How did Jesus die?
7. Did Jesus believe in life after death? Do you?
8. Did the Scribes and Pharisees practice what they preached? Do you?
9. Why is following Christ hardest in the intimate relationships of family life?

Senior-Young People

— MARCH 14 —

I Believe in God Our Fathe

First Topic in a Series on "Beliefs That Matter"

Deuteronomy 32:1-6; Isaiah 64:8

Comments by Earle W. Gates

Pattern For The Meeting

The leader of this meeting should make careful preparation for its success by these steps:
Pray for God's blessing and help.
Study the Bible selections given.
Read the following material, then add his own thoughts, experiences, and other illustrations.
Plan a brief Leader's Talk to make clear the purposes of the meeting.

This month the society will have an unusually good opportunity for some Bible study. The topic today begins a unit of three that will increase our store of knowledge about God. It is entitled "Beliefs That Matter," and is designed to search out the depths of our faith. The leaders for these topics should be selected for their Bible knowledge and for their ability and willingness to lead the group in a serious discussion. It will help the leader a great deal if he will consult with his pastor or some good student of the Bible. He will want to carefully and prayerfully read the scripture selections and look up any additional ones he can find. He should use a Bible concordance or dictionary for additional help. Have the group bring their Bibles, and come with their "thinking caps on."

Announce this series with simple posters, by bulletin board, and from pulpit. These topics can do much for the Christian faith and life of each member of the Christian Endeavor society. An informed adult counselor or "resource leader" should be present to give over-all direction to the whole three topics.

Aim Of The Topic

1. To review our Christian beliefs and strengthen them.

2. To learn more about our belief in God the Father.

"I Believe!"

These words are the foundation stones of faith. They are the very passport to life itself. Belief is the most essential thing in the world. *What* we believe is very close to it. It is all important what we believe about God and His teachings. There are a few foolish ones about us who say, "It doesn't matter what we believe, as long as we do right." Beliefs *do* matter! What we believe shapes our thoughts, our deeds, our lives. As a man "thinketh in his heart, so is he," saith the Scripture. (Proverbs 23:7).

Yes, we must first stake out our beliefs, examine them, and make them strong. Our first belief is in the Person and the presence of God. The basic step of faith is to affirm "God is." This appears so simple and elementary but let's remember that a vast portion of the world today does not make that affirmation. Truly "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." (Psalm 111:10).

"I Believe In God The Father"

Today we are to have the privilege of thinking directly about our understanding of the first Person of the Trinity, God the Father. The other Persons, to be studied in the next two weeks, are God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Each has His place and each must be reckoned with separately. For today the Fatherhood of God is our point of beginning. There will be shades of difference in opinion in these three topics due to their doctrinal nature and because of denominational differences but in the great essential truths about God we are one.

Of course, "God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24). Joubert has said, "Space is the statue of God." What could he mean by this? God the Father is forever. He was pre-existent before the foundation of the world and when the world may be no more He will still exist. He is the spiritual Father of every one, and is the Giver of life, both physical and spiritual. Jesus the Christ claimed Him happily as Father and conveyed to us the divine privilege of so addressing Him. When we say, "Our Father," it is either an evidence of a wonderful spiritual union or an act of presumptuousness. Why is this true?

"I Believe In God The Creator"

Only God can create life. Scientists have tried for ages to accomplish this but the greatest have acknowledged failure. God has created all things. The would-be scientist who disputes this is giving glaring evidence of ignorance. Many students in high school and college are made the unhappy victims of teachers who belittle religion and who glibly say the Bible is not true. If only the students knew the depths of ignorance and defeat in the lives of these very instructors they would shout their praises to God for their faith. Teachers who do not intimately know and understand the Bible have no right to cast any shadow of doubt upon it. Students who believe and know God can well hold to their faith and pity the confused critic w uses his position of authority to cover spiritual and intellectual poverty. Go truth is all-sufficient and eternal. Regardl of our doctrinal position on the origin man, God is the Creator. Whether Go own account of the Creation, or the evo tion of science is accepted, in the beginni God created the beginning!

"I Believe In The God of Jesus"

Jesus Christ came in part to reveal to what God is like. He came "that we mig have life—and more abundantly" by h sacrifice on the Cross. But Jesus clea revealed in His talk with Nicodemus th "God so loved the world that He gave h Son." (John 3:16). He showed us th God is loving and merciful and compassi ate but that He is also just and uncomp mising. "A God all mercy is a God unju says Young. What is the significance of th

God is the Father—Creator of all, and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. He the Lord of all when we so acknowled Him. He provides all things for our ne and promises that there are greater thi to come. Henry Ward Beecher once sa "God is the one great employer, think planner, supervisor." Read again Deut onomy 32:4 for a picture of God. Re also Matthew 6:8-15 and 6:25, 26. are utterly dependent upon Him. Truly can say also the words of the Episco service, "O my God, I believe in Thee hope in Thee, I love Thee, and I gri that so often I have wounded Thee by sins."

Bible Portions

M., Mar. 8. The Father Revealed by the Son. John 1:14-
T., Mar. 9. The Father and the Son. Luke 10:21
W., Mar. 10. A Father of the Fatherless. Psalm 68:
T., Mar. 11. One Father. Matt. 2
F., Mar. 12. The Father Sustains Life. Matt. 6:25-
S., Mar. 13. The Father Answers His Children. Luke 11:9
Sun., Mar. 14. Topic—I Believe in God Father. Deut. 32:1-6; Isa. 6

A SEED THOUGHT

"By night an atheist half believes in a God." Why?

TO HELP THE DISCUSSION

1. Describe God and His characteristics.
2. Why is it important what w believe?
3. How do our beliefs shape ou lives?
4. What do we owe God?
5. What does our use of the ter "Our Father" require in the way brotherhood?
6. Name some of the evidences God's love.
7. What is His greatest gift to u
8. How can we be more worth children of God?
9. How does our belief affect oth people?

Who Can Be a Follower?

Second Topic in a Series on "Christ Calls: We Follow"

Mark 8:33-38

Intermediate

— MARCH 14 —

Comments by Raymond M. Veh

ur Aim

1. To hear Christ's call to be a follower.
2. To understand what a follower ust be and do.
3. To find joy in following Christ.

Vhat Disciple Would You Be?

A minister asked a class of boys the ıestion: What disciple would you choose be like if such a privilege were grant-l? One said, "I would like to be like Pet-." Another said, "I would choose to be ce John." Said the third, "I would like be a man like Paul." One of the boys, ter listening to the boys, said, "That is ıe, boys, but I have often thought that I could have been one of the followers the Lord while He was on earth. I would ıoose to be Simon of Cyrene, so that I ıuld help to carry the cross of Jesus."

Whosoever Will"

The Gospel invitation is given for all ces and creeds, rich and poor, sick and ealthy, "Whosoever will." God is no re-ecter of persons. Inasmuch as we all fall the category of sinners and must depend ı Jesus Christ to forgive our sins, we are rst of all to receive Him as our Saviour, en share Him with others.

"Come," says the sea to the river. "Come," ys the magnet to the steel. "Come," says e springtime to the sleeping earth. All ey the voice. Do we obey the "Come" Jesus?

"Follow me" is the message of the Gos-l. That means a complete change of life, shift from a selfish to an unselfish basis, change of leaders, a change of direction.

ollowers Must Be Genuine

A jeweler will tell you that an imitation amond is never so brilliant as a genuine ne but sometimes the inexperienced eye nnot detect the difference. A simple test to place the stone under water. The im-ıtion diamond is practically extinguished, ıile a genuine diamond sparkles even ıder water, and is visible. The contrast tween the two when under the water ill be apparent to the least experienced e. Many a Christian has failed at the ater test. Followers of Christ, let us be nuine, so that our life will tell for Christ ıder adversity, temptation and trials of ery sort.

Follower's Necessity

A follower must believe on Christ.

Jesus came to give fullness, completeness d richness of life, now in this present world, and eternal life in the world to come. But to receive this life we must believe that Jesus was what He claims to be, the Son of God, the Saviour of the world. We must believe on Him, not only in the sense of intellectual assent to the historic facts of life, but through a simple, trustful acceptance of all that He offers, make Him our very own personal Saviour, through whom we have forgiveness and eternal life. John 3:16. "Hallelujah 'tis done;" What is done? "I *believe* on the Son;" What then? "I am saved by the blood of the Crucified One."

A Follower Must Love Christ

Loving Christ naturally follows believing on Him. First, this love comes from gratitude to Him for His wonderful love in saving us. This first love of gratitude ripens into a pure love of admiration, of appreciation and of devotion that comes from a personal knowledge of His goodness and faithfulness, of His sympathy and tender care for us in all the various experiences of life. The better we know Christ through personal dealings and companionship with Him, the more we love Him. Nothing makes Christ happier than to have the love and devotion of human hearts. Love craves love. Love awakens love. Love satisfies love. Christ is love and thirsts for our love.

A Follower Must Imitate Christ

The life of a Christian must be influenced by the life and spirit of Christ. He is our perfect example, and we should follow His steps.

A follower of Christ is to share Christ's attitude toward God and man. He is to regard as real what was real to Christ, to love what He loved, to hate as He hated, to find in the Father what He found, and to reaffirm His valuation of life. Christ embraced three grand objects, God, self, and His fellowmen. We are to seek the glory of God in all things, to give diligence to make our calling and election sure, and to the utmost of our power, "to do good unto all men."

A Follower Must Serve Christ

The single grain of wheat can multiply itself into the head of wheat only by falling into the earth and dying. One of the conditions of deepening friendship with Christ is to bury our life in His service. Christ came to minister; He went about doing good; He gave His life a ransom for many; He took upon Himself the form of a servant; He labored until He could say, "Father, I have finished the work which Thou gavest me to do." As followers of Christ, there must be an enlarging consideration of the interests of the kingdom, and a greater willingness to do whatsoever our hands find to do.

A Follower Must Worship Christ

The men from the East had interpreted some phenomenon in the heavens to indicate the birth of the Messiah. Their souls had risen up in devout hope. The Jerusalem great men, who would one day wet their hands in the Deliverer's blood, were troubled. Thus we have the two distinct classes today. There are those who would destroy the power, influence and teachings of Jesus; and, there are those who rejoice "with exceeding joy" as they fall down and worship Him. A true follower of Christ loves to worship Him in spirit and in truth.

A Story

Four centuries ago a young Italian soldier stood before Philip Saint Neri—a devout monk of that period—and told of his military ambition. The youth had read and heard so much of the achievements of soldiers of other days that his imagination was fired, he could think of nothing else. Perhaps the time had come for another Caesar to appear in Rome and lead to daring conquests!

The monk listened and asked the young soldier just how far he thought he could advance in the army. The youth replied, at first modestly, "I may become a captain." "What then?" asked Saint Neri. The young man hesitated and then named a higher rank. Once again the monk asked, "What then?" and the conversation proceeded until every rank had been mentioned except one, and each time there was the same simple question, "What then?" At last the youth spoke with bated breath, "Some day I may even become a great general," and once more the monk asked, "What then?"

Slowly it dawned upon the soldier what Philip Neri meant. No matter how high he rose in military circles, even if he mounted step by step until he gained the rank of general, it would mean very little if, with all his promotions, military dignity and honor, his heart was completely centered upon worldly advancement. How he must have been reminded of that saying of Jesus, "For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

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TO PROVOKE THOUGHT

1. Where lay Peter's weakness in following Christ? Luke 22:54.
2. What is the price of following Christ? Luke 5:11.
3. How may we help others to follow Christ? I Cor. 11:1.
4. May we be sure that we are following Christ? Luke 9:23.

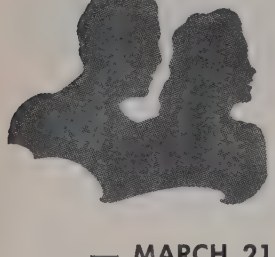
Scripture References

M., Mar. 8. Christ Must Open the Door. Luke 13:23-28.
T., Mar. 9. Sinners Invited for Cleansing. Isaiah 1:18.
W., Mar. 10. Weary Invited to Rest. Matt. 11:28-30.
T., Mar. 11. Those Who Overcome Are Included. Rev. 3:2-5.
F., Mar. 12. Overcoming by Faith. I John 5:1-5.
S., Mar. 13. Whosoever Will May Come. Rev. 22:17.
Sun., Mar. 14. Topic—Who Can Be a Follower? Mark 8:33-38.

I Believe in Jesus Christ Our Saviour

Second Topic in a Series on "Beliefs That Matter"

I Peter 1:18-21; Acts 4:12



Senior-Young People

— MARCH 21 —

Comments by Earle W. Gates

Pattern For The Meeting

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Plan a brief Leader's Talk to make clear the purposes of the meeting.

We continue today the interesting series of topics entitled "Beliefs That Matter." We consider the second Person of the Trinity. "I Believe In Jesus Christ Our Saviour" is the topic. It brings us into the very heart of Christianity. Last week we considered our belief in God the Father. Read that topic again for background. The leader should constantly strive to bring the best out of these topics and to keep the whole series in proper perspective in the thinking of the society. Again it will be better to have the pastor or some good Bible teacher present to act as a resource leader and to help with the difficult questions that may arise. One person may well act as leader for these three topics and have assigned a second leader each week to assist in the discussion or other parts of the service. Try by this and other means to maintain the continuity of thought and purpose throughout this series. The group should conclude the three meetings with a much more firm idea about their individual beliefs, the ones that really matter. Review briefly in the meeting the findings and conclusions of last week. Then pick them up here and "peg down" the essential beliefs about Christ.

TO HELP THE DISCUSSION

1. What is the importance of correct beliefs? Why do they matter?
2. Why is belief in Christ important?
3. What is the Trinity? Name the persons.
4. What do we mean by salvation?
5. How is our salvation secured?
6. From what are we saved?
7. For what purpose are we saved?
8. After becoming a Christian, what is our most important task?
9. How can we help others believe in God and Christ?
10. Next week we study about the Holy Spirit. What do we know about Him?

Aim of The Topic

1. To review our Christian beliefs and strengthen them.

2. To learn more about our belief in Christ our Saviour.

"I Believe"

Life is shaped by what we believe. There is no more important area of life than the spiritual. Hence what we think regarding things of the spirit is the great determining factor for our lives in time and for all eternity. As suggested elsewhere we are dead to God unless we are alive in Christ. He has made the way of life so simple. It is revealed to us by faith, by humble belief. No person can earn his salvation or immortality. No one can buy it or make it or merit it. It is purely the gift of God and is received only by trusting acceptance. The way of salvation is so simple that some miss it. They seek it in more difficult or more materialistic ways. "Trust and obey," this is the keynote for the Christian religion. The Gospel is the Good News that God cares—and cares enough for us that He provides the way to Heaven. It calls first and foremost for faith. "I believe" is the great beginning for the Christian life. It should be the answer to every temptation or doubt. Dr. Daniel A. Poling suggests that it should be our greeting to every new morning as soon as we awake. What a transport to power — "I believe!"

"I Believe in Christ The Promised One"

Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Trinity, came to earth as the fulfillment of a long-standing promise of God. He is referred to in Scripture as "The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." (Revelation 13:8.) He said of Himself, "Before Abraham was, I am." (John 8:58.) For endless ages the people of Israel had looked for the coming of the Messiah. He was to be the Christ, "The Promised One," of God and was to save the people from their sins. When He came to earth the majority of Israel rejected Him. Their descendants still look today for His coming. His very birth in Bethlehem was prophesied for many centuries. (Read Micah 5:2.) His message, His life, His death and His eternal power were long prophesied. (Read Isaiah 53.) Everything about Jesus was planned by God, and foretold by His prophets. Nothing is accidental with God. With what assurance we are able to say, "I believe in all the promises of God because He has fulfilled every one in the past!"

"I Believe In Christ The Crucified"

Jesus came to seek and to save the lost, according to His own declaration. He is the Second Person of the Godhead, known c rectly as "God, The Son." In our Christi doctrine of the Triune God, Jesus is One who became flesh and walked amo men. As a man He lived on the ear taught men how to live and how to d and gave Himself for the atonement of sins of all the world. He thus provided "at-one-ment" for men, by which every p son may be made one with his God.

"Without shedding of blood is no rem sion (of sin)." (Hebrews 9:22.) Therefo it was necessary in the inscrutable wisd of God that a blood sacrifice be made. the Cross of Calvary Jesus made that s rifice. By this vicarious sacrifice (one ma in behalf of others) *all* men who belie in it and accept it are saved. This brie presents God's plan of redemption. "T Blood of Jesus Christ—cleanseth us fr all sin." (I John 1:7.) "- - - with stripes we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5.) study and discussion we may well consi what this sacrifice means to us, disco what we are saved "from," - -'- and wh we are saved "for." Christ is our Savi only as we believe in Him, as we acc Calvary's gift of love for the forgiving *our* sins and as we allow ourselves to transformed by His grace. Do we sincer believe in Him in this way?

"I Believe In Christ The Living Saviour"

This last affirmation of belief must made in order to share fully in the reden tion and the Eternal Life our Lord offe We worship not a dead Jesus but a livi transforming Lord. He lives within hearts and in all the evidences of the bui ing of His Kingdom on earth. The Cr could not hold Him, the tomb could contain Him. He arose! He lives today forever. He asks that as a living Savio Whose power is limitless and Whose l is eternal, He be the Lord and Master our lives. If we believe in Him, may whole lives be given to prove it.

A SEED THOUGHT

"Unless you live in Christ yo are dead to God."

Daily Scripture Readings

M., Mar. 15. Jesus the Bread of Life. John 6:33-
T., Mar. 16. Jesus the Good Shepherd. John 10:1
W., Mar. 17. Jesus Saves the Lost. Luke 19:1
T., Mar. 18. Jesus Saves from Sin. Matt. 1:18-
F., Mar. 19. Jesus Gave His Life. Matt. 20:25-
S., Mar. 20. Jesus Gives Eternal Life. John 3:35-
Sun., Mar. 21. Topic—I Believe in Jesus Christ Our Saviour. I Peter 1:18-21; Acts 4:

Training to be Tested Followers

Third Topic in a Series on "Christ Calls: We Follow"

Matthew 4:17-25

Intermediate

— MARCH 21 —

Comments by Raymond M. Veh

ur Aim

1. To see Jesus as a Teacher.
2. To see how service characterized ıe life of Jesus.
3. To learn how we can train for rvice.

esus the Teacher

Jesus is recognized as "the Teacher sent om God." He was constantly given the norary title of Rabbi by the Jews. This ord meant "teacher" and they probably ed it in addressing Him because He was outstanding Teacher. He explained the ld Testament in a new and modern way at they understood. We speak of Him eely today as the "Master Teacher."

Most of Jesus' life was spent in teaching. sus didn't have a movie projector nor odern pictures to display, but He used ord pictures. These word pictures took e dryness out of His teaching and made hat He had to say much more interesting, it they also went further than that. His ry pictures had double meanings. For stance, in one of the shortest ones (Matt. :33) He states that the kingdom of eaven is like a little bit of yeast that woman put in one and one-half pecks meal. Finally the yeast permeated the tire measure of meal until it was leav-ed.

All of His parables have this quality. ey are interesting, they bring a picture to the mind of the hearer, and they have deeper meaning that is easily seen after little study.

His disciples were amazed at His use parables and asked Him why He used em (Matt. 13:10). He explained to the sciples that the people often would not ten to Him unless He used these pic-res and also that those who didn't be-ve in Him would be unable to know hat He was talking about unless He used rables. Almost 2,000 years ago Jesus arned something that we are just begin-ng to learn in education today—it is uch easier to teach with stories and ctures.

he Disciples Were Tested ollowers

The disciples went to their task "sent the Lord." When we have found our ace we may likewise go to our task with e same conviction. The consciousness that e are doing the will of God tremendously engthens us for the work at hand.

The disciples went out and preached the ings they knew. They thus prepared themselves for larger knowledge and bigger tasks. When we do well the things we can do, we prepare and qualify ourselves for greater tasks.

The disciples returned to Jesus for further instruction. We do well to go to Him for instruction and encouragement. The individual who follows His guidance will make a success of life.

What Is Service?

Service may include such things as work in the home, in the shop or on the farm, teaching in the school room, ministry to the sick either as doctor or nurse, and teaching or preaching the Gospel at home or abroad.

Service is one of the things that characterized the life of Jesus. It is likewise something that marks the life of every follower of the Master. It is the noblest form of activity to which the individual may give himself. It leads to true greatness. "Whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be the servant of all."

It is no unreasonable thing that we should train for our life of service. We have but one life to live and we want our life to count in the largest possible way. Other things being equal, trained service is the more successful and the more productive of satisfaction to the one rendering the service. This being true, we are for trained workmen in the service of God and humanity.

Think About These Tests for Followers

Why should we do our very best at every task we undertake?

1. For the task's sake. If it is worthy of any time and energy at all, it is worthy of the best we have.

2. For our own sake. To do anything carelessly tends to develop a habit in that direction. To do our task to the best of our ability tends to develop our thoroughness and skill. It also contributes to our dependability.

Why should we train for service?

1. The world demands trained service; do God and humanity ask less?

2. Other things being equal, trained service is better service.

3. Trained service is more productive of satisfaction to the individual rendering the service

What principles should govern us in the choice of our life work?

1. Fitness.
2. Need.
3. Motive.

Two Five-minute Talks

1. Why should we do our best at every task we undertake?

2. Why should we train for service? Talk by the pastor.

Discuss these tests for Christian young people to judge their followership:

Would you say these are tests of a true follower?

I. *Christian Youth must put first things first.* "Seek ye FIRST the kingdom of God, and His righteousness."

II. *In fellowship and devotion to Christ.* "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

III. *Christian Youth are young people who have a deep concern for the Unsaved.*

IV. *Christian youth are to do high thinking.* "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, *think* on these things."

V. *Christian youth play a clean game.* They have the courage to carry on. They are making the race with their eyes on the goal "of God in Christ Jesus."

1. Christian youth are clad in the Christian armor as good soldiers of Christ.
2. Christian youth have adaptability.
3. Christian youth are young people who are honest.
4. Christian youth are young people who meet the test of life.

"Who answers Christ's insistent call
Must give himself, his life, his all,
Without one backward look.
Who sets his hand unto the plow,
And glances back with anxious brow,
His calling hath mistook.
Christ claims him wholly for His own;
He must be Christ's and Christ's alone."

Christ Calls Followers to Grow

Jesus placed a little child in the midst of the disciples and said "Except ye become as a little child, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven." What is the most natural fact about a child? Is it not that he is ready to grasp any truth, any fact, any method, that will help him grow? Do we lose this desire to grow with new stimuli when we grow older? Why?

Jesus called for "disciples." A disciple is a learner. Why do not present day followers of Christ seek to learn more of Him and His Way? How can we keep learning as Christians?

To guide youth to follow Christ in active service was the reason why Christian Endeavor was founded. The movement gives a well-rounded program of Christian training and activity and that is why it has had enduring value through more than seven decades. Is your society doing anything to provide a program of growth for your members? Are your weekly meetings stimulating to Christian growth? Are you training and enlisting new people to take over the reins of leadership in your society? Are you encouraging the Juniors in your church to be in readiness for membership in the Junior High Endeavor? We must lay the foundations for personal Christian faith and loyal church membership now.

Daily Devotional Readings

., Mar. 15. The Test of Obedience. I Sam. 15:22.
, Mar. 16. Training Through Continual Prayer. Luke 18:1-7.
., Mar. 17. The Help of the Holy Spirit. Rom. 8:26, 27.
, Mar. 18. Searching the Scriptures Daily. Acts 17:10-12.
, Mar. 1'. The Test of Fellowship in Suffering. I Peter 4:14-16.
Mar. 20. Fully Equipped. I Thess. 5:4-11.
in., Mar. 21. Topic—Training to be Tested Followers. Matthew 4:17-25.

I Believe in the Holy Spirit Our Guide

Senior-Young People

— MARCH 28 —

Comments by Earle W. Gates

Third Topic in a Series on "Beliefs That Matter"

John 14:16-26; Acts 2:1-6

Pattern For The Meeting

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Study the Bible selections given.
Read the following material, then add his own thoughts, experiences, and other illustrations.
Plan a brief Leader's Talk to make clear the purposes of the meeting.

Today's topic concludes a series of three on the very important subject "Beliefs That Matter." There has been a study of the Christian doctrines of God the Father and Christ the Saviour. Now the emphasis is on the Holy Spirit. Not enough is known about Him (and the leader should speak of the Holy Spirit as "He," being one of the Persons of the Trinity). His ministry in the world is most extensive and important but it is not fully appreciated. Try to learn as much about this subject and this Person as possible. Give your best to make the meeting a serious consideration of the whole matter. Do not approach it lightly and do not permit any frivolous or joking use of the names of the Spirit, or the Holy Ghost. We tread on sacred ground here. By all means strive to have the pastor or a particularly well-informed Bible student present to give additional counsel. (The average Bible school teacher will not be able to adequately understand and help. Get the best.) Be aware that the very Spirit of Whom you will be speaking will be present with you. He will help you prepare and successfully conclude the meeting if you seek His help. Make this known to your Endeavorers.

Aim of The Topic

1. To review our Christian beliefs and strengthen them.

2. To learn more about the Holy Spirit our Guide.

Bible References

M., Mar. 22. The Holy Spirit, B.C. Isa. 63:7-10.
T., Mar. 23. The Holy Spirit Promised. Joel 2:28, 29.
W., Mar. 24. The Work of the Spirit. John 16:7-11.
T., Mar. 25. The Guide to Truth. John 16:12-15.
F., Mar. 26. The Spirit in Us. Rom. 8:5-16.
S., Mar. 27. Filled with the Spirit. Eph. 5:18-20.
Sun., Mar. 28. Topic—I Believe in the Holy Spirit Our Guide. John 14:16-26; Acts 2:1-6.

"I Believe!"

Again and again as we make this statement we feel the upsurge of power that it brings. To believe in a personal God is a unique blessing. We do unusual things because of our belief. We are restrained from much for the same reason. In this topic and the two past topics we have had much to strengthen our faith and clarify our thinking. As we have considered our belief in God the Father and in Christ the Saviour, we have been drawn closer to them. Now we come to the experience of knowing better the Holy Spirit of God. These have been doctrinal topics and should equip each one better for the Christian life. If there are still areas of misunderstanding or incomplete understanding or of doubt do not let the matter rest. Each one should consider it a personal obligation to get his thinking straight on these essential doctrines. Consult the pastor personally, or have him speak to the society on some date soon to help clear up problems. Be able to say "I Believe"—with no reservations.

"I Believe In The Holy Spirit"

Too little has been written about the Holy Spirit. Too little is understood of Him. Yet He is the most potent force in the world for our spiritual lives. He is known by various names. The Spirit of God, Spirit of the Lord, the Holy Ghost, Holy Comforter and other names are found in Old and New Testaments. He is the One "called alongside to help" and has been so commissioned by God the Father. We worship a Triune God, the great Three in One. The Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Godhead, or the Trinity. God is a Spirit, as is the Holy Ghost. Christ was the One to assume the earthly form of a man. After He completed His earthly ministry, He sent His Spirit to take His place on earth. We worship therefore One God, manifested in Three Persons. God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost from the blessed Trinity. Read again the Apostles' Creed and trace this relationship. We believe in Him, yet we realize that we do not fully understand the divine mystery of it all. Pray for further enlightenment. God always reveals Himself and His truths to the earnest seeker.

"I Believe In The Holy Spirit, The Promise of God."

Read carefully together John 14:16-26. Note how Jesus promised that God would send another Comforter, "that He may abide with you forever." He said, "He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.—He shall teach you all things - - -."

Now turn also to John 16:7-15 and study it together. This is one of the most vital teachings about the Spirit. Jesus said in effect, "It is necessary for you that I go away; otherwise the Comforter cannot come to you. If I depart, I will send Him unto you." Herein is evidenced the perfect love of God through Christ. God so loves us that He sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins, to be our Saviour. Then He makes possible a personal, indwelling ministry for every Christian ever to live on the earth forever, by the presence of His Holy Spir This Spirit is to "bring all things to yo remembrance" and to make known all tru to us. Dwight L. Moody has said, "T work of the Spirit is to impart life, to i plant hope, to give liberty, to testify Christ, to guide us into all truth, to tea us all things, to comfort the believer, a to convict the world of sin."

"I Believe In The Holy Spirit Our Guide"

"In the precious teaching of John 16: Jesus has pointed out the purpose for t coming of the Holy Spirit. He says, "A when He is come, He will reprove t world of sin, and of righteousness, and judgment." This then is His ministry the world. How vital and timely it is. H is to "reprove the world of sin"; He therefore the still, small voice within th tells of things that are wrong and warns away from them. He is to reprove t world "of righteousness," thereby being t voice within that constrains us to do t mighty and wonderful things of which are not alone capable. He is to reprove t world "of the judgment." This is to mind all men that "It is appointed un men once to die, but, after this the jud ment." (Hebrews 9:27.) If the men earth heed not the leading of God's Spi and do not the things of His will they mu give account for their transgression. T Spirit strives to keep us from evil, to ke us doing the right, and reminds us that G is not to be mocked, for He will punis

A SEED THOUGHT

"There is no reason to believe that the Holy Spirit ever leave awakened sinners, only as they leave the truth of God for some error or sin."

—Spencer.

TO HELP THE DISCUSSION

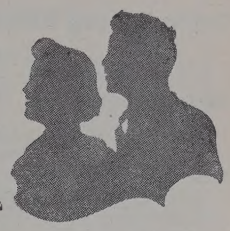
1. Why does our belief matter?
2. Name the persons of the Trinity and their work.
3. Who is the most important person of the Godhead?
4. Why is the Holy Spirit necessary for the Christian?
5. What does He, the Holy Spirit do for us?
6. How may we better use the help the Holy Spirit offers?
7. What can hinder the power of the Spirit within us?
8. How does the Spirit help us to keep the Christian Endeavor pledge or any great resolution?
9. How can we sense the presence of God's Spirit among us?
10. What does Isaiah 63:10 mean? (Read the three preceding verses also.)
11. What do we still not understand about the Spirit or the Trinity? How can we learn more?

Things Christian

Fourth Topic in a Series on "Christ Calls: We Follow"

Matthew 5:1-12; Philippians 4:8

Intermediate



— MARCH 28 —

Comments by Raymond M. Veh

r Aim

. To sense Christian traits that are rth striving for.
. To know what the "excellent in " as Jesus portrayed it is for youth.
. To harness Christian truths for ter living.

r Scripture:

Matt. 5:1-16. The Sermon on the Mount s us to the world's highest idealism. lowers of Jesus are salt. If all Christians e removed from this world, a period noral corruption would immediately be-. If all Christians were removed from r community, the standards of that mmunity would at once change for the rse. To what extent is my personal in-nce as "salt" in my group and in my n? Is life a little better for some people ause I am a follower of Christ?

Philippians 4:8. This compact statement ne of those New Testament passages t abundantly reward detailed study. It ins with *"truth"* as the basis of Chris-character. Truth is the eternal founda-of the universe and it has a right to m priority in all our thinking and act-

The word translated *"honorable"* means "worthy of honor." There are so many gs that claim our thought and action ich are not worthy of honor. They are intrinsically bad; they are simply mean, little, and contemptible. They are not rth the time or thought of a healthy son. They are not fit to disturb our ntion or command our interest.

The third virtue is *"justice."* Perhaps are more interested in justice now than have been at any other period of istian thinking. Christians should ever lt justice in their theories and ennoble n their practice.

The word *"pure"* simply means moral ndness and cleanness. It is the Chris-single standard of the white soul. ity is not a negative, weak, feminine ue, but it is a positive, martial, and quering trait.

Whatsoever things are lovely." This ns those things that attract because of ir grace or loveliness. It is not a sign of manliness or strength to be unresponsive in the presence of beauty.

The word translated, *"of good report"* is a rare one. It means, whatever is high-toned, has a good sound, a clear, true ring to it, is worth striving for.

Then Paul sums up the truth by saying, "Whatever excellence there be or object fit to praise, make them the subject of careful reflection." "If there be any 'virtue,' if there be any praise, think on these things."

Consider These Things That Are Christian

Ambition. Be ambitious. Gaze into the future. Look ahead. Set some worthwhile stakes for which you are striving. And, after having reached a certain point, press ever on. Do not retreat. Try to make each today surpass each yesterday.

Charity. Charity comes of that fine state of mind and kindly feeling which shows a person to be possessed of an abundance of goodwill and unselfish interest toward others, finding expression in both word and action. It is the mother of many virtues.

Cheerfulness. We should seek to develop the spirit of cheerfulness. This mood of living is greatly needed today as we find so many people discontented, depressed, and melancholy. Cheerfulness is contagious.

Courage. The courageous man is needed today. Be sure you are right and then stand. At first you will be denounced, then you will be deified. Stand for something and let the world know what you stand for. There is too much moral timidity; we need more young people who will equip themselves like men to be strong.

Enthusiasm. "Be enthusiastic, for without this great impelling forward urge, one cannot succeed. It is the human dynamo; it generates the current called magnetism; it gives flash and zest; it bespeaks sincerity; it stirs; it convinces; it touches the responsive chords of the soul."

Forgiveness. The spirit of forgiveness is a Christian trait worth striving for. It is not so easily developed, but when once it possesses the soul, all other traits are made sweeter and more beautiful. We who have been forgiven must learn how to forgive.

Gratitude. Ingratitude has been aptly described as "the blackest of sins." To feel grateful, to be grateful, is a duty. Everybody appreciates appreciation. Let us have a grateful heart, and be free from the sin of ingratitude.

Meekness. Vanity is the foundation of the most ridiculous and contemptible vices. Colton says, "We cannot think too highly of our nature, nor too humbly of ourselves." It is the humble heart that will be exalted.

Righteousness. Righteousness is a worthwhile trait and should be sought after by every member of the human race. It stands for rightness with God and mankind. It exalts a life, while sin brings reproach.

Self-Control. Milton said, "He who reigns within himself, and rules passions, desires, and fears, is more than a king." The Bible says, "He that ruleth his spirit is better than he that taketh a city." Alexander conquered the world, but his passions conquered him.

Faith. The trinity of faith is faith in God, faith in man, and faith in self. Believe in yourself and humanity will believe in you. Doubt yourself and humanity will doubt you. Faith is the one virtue that can remove mountains. We should increase our faith.

The Glory of the Commonplace

One of the "things Christian" is Christ's followers' ability to take commonplace things and make them meaningful. Read I Corinthians 10:31 and then list as many ordinary things as you can that really count when dedicated to Christ. Books, sermons, clothing, the rights of free speech, the free press, the ability to worship God as we please, the rights of the ballot, to use the devices of radio, television, the telephone, the automobile, are all things that can become very great indeed. A look from a loved one, the pressure of the hand from a friend, the song that lifts, the ray of sunlight dispelling the gloom—shall we not count these things life's treasures?

An Illustration

One of the things Christian is to "help others." The story is told of two travelers crossing the Austrian Alps in very cold weather. By the wayside they found a partially frozen peasant. One of the travelers decided to help the unfortunate man, and managed to lift him into the sleigh. His companion refused to help because he was already uncomfortably cold. Before the journey ended there was a dead man in the sleigh—the one who refused to help the peasant. The sheer effort of helping someone had brought the blood coursing back into the veins of the other traveler, while he who sat still perished.

QUESTIONS

1. If every Christian Endeavorer ere just like me what would our hristian Endeavor be like?
2. What can our Christian En-eavor do to build Christian charac-r in youth?
3. What are some worthwhile aits worth working for?
4. Only a live tree can bear fruit. re we fruit-bearing Christians?
5. How can we help others to now things Christian?
6. What does Jesus want His fol-wers to be?
7. What does Jesus want His fol-wers to do?

Bible Rations

M., Mar. 22. God Uses Weak Things. I Cor. 1:27-29.
T., Mar. 23. God Makes Small Things Great. Matt 13:31, 32.
W., Mar. 24. The Christian Graces. Col. 3:12-15.
T., Mar. 25. The Fruit of the Spirit. Gal. 5:22-26.
F., Mar. 26. All Things in Name of Christ. Col. 3:16, 17.
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Senior-Young People — March 7

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Worship Projects

There are several projects that the society could plan or encourage other groups to do. If a survey were taken, it would be surprising how many people do not have transportation to church. Enlist cars. Ask for people who are willing to call for others at their homes or at certain street corners.

Some people are so sensitive they will not attend church unless personally invited. Organize a group who will take time to call on the phone or visit newcomers to invite them to church.

If there is not a nursery in your church that cares for small children while parents are at worship begin one with the help of parents. This could be a miniature church service, a primary Christian Endeavor society, an additional Sunday school class, an organized game time, etc.

Lora Lee Parrott has written an interesting chapter in her book "Christian Etiquette" in regard to the pastor and the parsonage. If your young people or congregation have bad manners in this respect, perhaps a worthy project could be an evening discussion, inviting adults. This chapter advises parishoners to leave the parsonage free of unnecessary visits and "traffic" before services and weekly meetings, on Sunday afternoons, and Saturday evenings. These are busy times for preparation and prayer before programs. It should also be remembered that the door bell or knocker should always be used. Unannounced entrances are inexcusable. If the pastor's study is in a separate building these suggestions will hold for both.

Plan a worthwhile project now to aid others in worship.

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Opportunities Unlimited

By Amy Deck Faust

he person who said, "It's a great time e alive!" must have been thinking of wonderful opportunities in communica- today. True, there is the threat of atomic bombing, and the spread of us propaganda. But there is the thrill- possibility of peace, atomic power, and ways of communicating the Gospel. now we are helping to make the ces to determine which way the world go.

n audio-visual column is not usually place to discuss publicity but since the spaper is one of the most common vis- aids, it is not amiss to call attention to new and wider ways of using the paper to "tell our story." News re- ing takes work. The story must have value. It must be ahead of the story t least "on the minute" reporting. It ld have the possibility of illustration a news photo, and of course it must n to the paper in some kind of form he reporter's desk.

ks Available

veral excellent books for help in this l work are on the market. One book- fifty-cent handbook entitled, "Edito- tyle Manual," can be ordered from the of the National Council of Churches, East 23rd Street, New York 10, N. Y. other larger studies are available.

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ere are several methods to make fullest f today's new chances. First, some busi- sessions should be devoted to planning ress, radio, television, and projected such as films and slides. Responsible e should be appointed, trained, and rk in these areas. Th reports should regular matter of b ess if progress be made.

addition to the reg r business in areas thought could given to spe- raining in the most eded of these A visual aids works p or institute ay rich dividends. Bro dcasting insti- and workshops exist on the local and nal levels at frequent intervals. It d also be known what training oppor- es are offered in local schools and in- ies.

s For Worship Services

re than business care should be give day's opportunities if the most is to h of the present challenge. Devotiona es, as well as analytical studies can b in these areas of communication o-visuals in many different forms may implement the worship or devotional service. In addition to the occasional topic on any one of these media there are many opportunities to use forms of audio-visuals as aids to other topics.

Further broadcasting information can be received through local Councils of Churches and denominational bodies. Current film ratings and sources of supplies are published in various religious and industrial papers. Ratings on entertainment films are carried in the columns of the *Christian Herald* and similar periodicals. An unusual catalogue of supplies and listings in educational visual aids is to be found in the recently published book, "Audio-visual Resource Guide for Use in Religious Education," $5.50 from Dept. of Publications, National Council of Churches, 120 East 23rd Street, New York 10.

Intermediates — March 14

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Personal Questions

Some personal questions for each person to ask himself. The answer "yes" or "no" gives 10 to each question, and 100 for a total.

1. Am I a disciple of Jesus and trying as hard as I can to obey His teachings?
2. Do I have a real hunger and thirst for righteousness?
3. Is it easier for me to do right than wrong because I have acquired the habit of doing it?
4. Do I have more friends than enemies?
5. Am I as kind and courteous in my family circle as among strangers I have just met?
6. Do I have any bad habits I would not like to have my friends imitate?
7. Am I giving out of my means my full share for Christian work?
8. Do I have any race prejudice or race feeling to overcome?
9. Do my neighbors like me?
10. When I die is there any likelihood that people will talk about putting up a memorial to my memory?

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Mr. Purdy, who is field secretary for Massachusetts Union, is a student for the ministry at Andover-Newton Theological School.

Intermediates — March 7

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A Project

Could your members resolve to follow Christ's path of personal human relationships in the family for one week? Discuss what would be involved in working out such a plan. Would this require —

1. *Our helping mother with the dishes?*
2. *Our doing chores for Dad?*
3. *Watching how much money we spent for unessentials?*
4. *Keeping sweet-tempered when other family members ask us to do some task?*
5. *Reading some good books and not comics only?*

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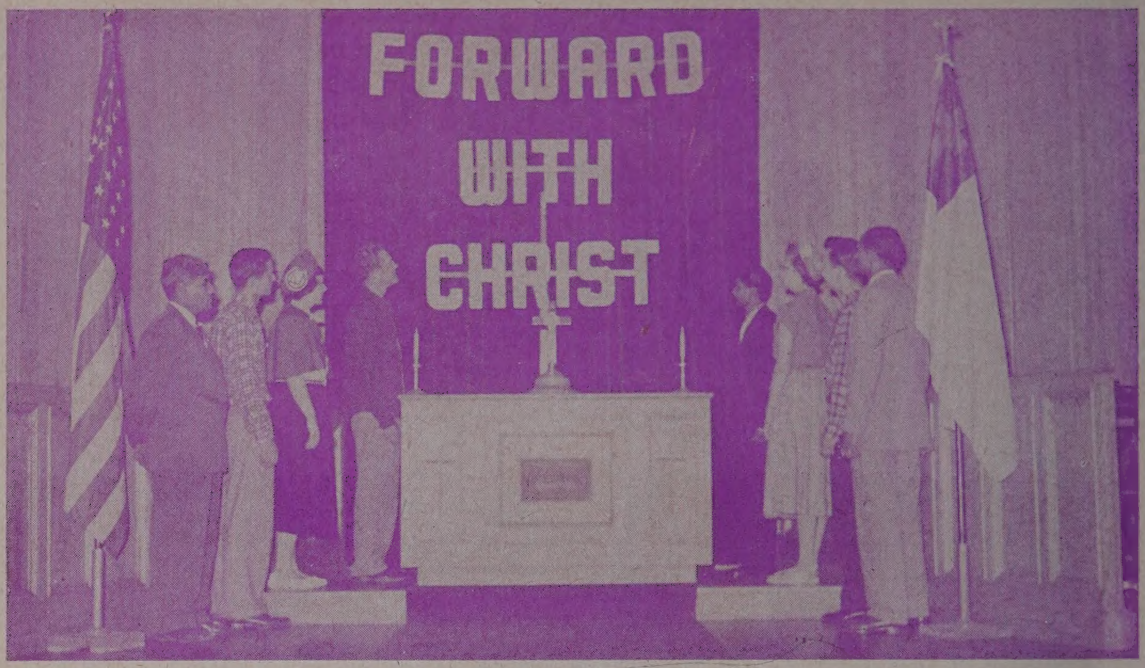

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